# MINUTES OF THE FAIRFAX COUNTY TENANT-LANDLORD COMMISSION

December 20, 2007 Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Pkwy.

Fairfax, Virginia 22035 Conference Room #9 Chair Liff, presiding

Attendees: Commissioners: Geier-Smith, Kocsis, McRae,

Rosier, Liff, Gomez, Aho,

Absentees: Walde

Staff Attending: Susan C. Jones, Branch Chief

Consumer Affairs

Vee Johnson, Staff Liaison Consumer Affairs Branch

The meeting was called to order at 6:37p.m. by Chair Liff.

# **Minutes**

The November 15, 2007, minutes were approved.

### Reports

- Chair Liff thanked the Commissioners for their attendance at the training workshop offered by the Office of the Clerk to the Board of Supervisors.
- Committee reports There were no Committee reports.

# Staff reports

- The Board of Supervisors was informed by memo on 12/6/07 of the Tenant-Landlord Commission Consumer Focus program.
- A copy of the Board Matter, dated November 29, 2007, in recognition of Liaison Wagner's service to the Tenant-Landlord Commission was distributed to the Commissioners. The Board of Supervisors will prepare a letter of recognition for Liaison Wagner.
- An invitation has been extended to Deputy Chief David McKernan, of the Fairfax County Strike Team to attend the January 17, 2008, meeting along with other members of the strike team.
- A motion pad is available to be used at meetings as suggested during the training workshops for Boards, Authorities, Commissions and Committees on 11/15/07.
- No questions or comments regarding the statistical reports.

# **Commission Matters**

• Commissioners were reminded to contact their Supervisor if they desire to continue to serve on the Tenant-Landlord Commission. Staff will send a reminder to the Commissioners. Commissioner Aho and McRae have already informed their Supervisors of their continued interest in serving the tenant-landlord community.

#### **Old Business**

# 1. Bylaws

• Branch Chief Jones reported that the consideration item for the Bylaws will be included in an upcoming agenda for review and approval by the Board of Supervisors in 2008.

### 2. Tenant-Landlord program for Cable Channel 16

- The Channel 16 Advisory Committee did not have a report.
- The Consumer Focus program on repair and maintenance continues to broadcast on Channel 16.

# **New Business**

### Speakers for upcoming meetings

- Commissioners shared comments regarding the training workshop. The overall consensus of those who attended was favorable.
- Initiatives for 2008, include speakers on housing and other tenant-landlord issues, updates of Tenant-Landlord material, and the initiation of a Tenant-Landlord outreach program.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:10p.m.